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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS

Some of It May Interest You; All Of It Is Worth a Perusal

Favors Road Bonds

The proposed road bond issue is an important matter, means much to the county and its citizens, and will no doubt receive favorable action from the voters. The proposition is a good one, and is meeting with approval in all parts of the county. The petitions now being circulated among the voters and tax-payers of Navajo County, as a preliminary step in this matter, request the County Board of Supervisors to appoint a commission of five members to examine, investigate, and report on the roads of the county as regards roads to be built, repaired, or constructed, approximate amount of funds required, etc. The Board of Supervisors, in conformity with provisions of said petitions, will probably call a bond election after the report of this commission is filed and considered, and the bond issue intended will necessarily be based on the report and finding of this commission.

Now is the time for everyone to boost for this road bond issue. The petitions now in circulation, or a majority of same, should be in hands of the Board of Supervisors at its next regular meeting, so that the proposed commission may then be appointed. The commission can soon thereafter begin its work. If this is done, it should be possible for the bond election to be held sometime during the coming summer. If the bonds carry the funds derived from the sale of same can be ready for use by January 1st, next. The opportunity is here to do something of lasting benefit to the county and all its residents. Everybody get busy.

C. H. JORDAN,
County Attorney.

M. E. Church Services

Next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, in the Methodist church at Holbrook, the third sermon in the series "Christ Before Pilot", will be preached by the pastor.

These sermons are character sketches of bible characters. First was Judas, second was Peter, third is Pilot. There will be special music by the choir. Everybody come and be welcome.

Rev. W. B. Cole, Pastor.

"The Mikado" Well Received

The St. Johns Stake Academy gave a very pleasing performance of "The Mikado" last night in the Pastime theater. Twenty years ago "The Mikado" was one of the most popular comic operas on the road, and it has lost but little of its popularity since, judging from the crowd that witnessed its presentation last night.

As an amateur performance that of last evening ranks high. The leading parts were well taken and the music was good. Following the close of the opera a dance was given, which continued to an early hour this morning.

Field Notes from the Office
of the County Engineer

The road drags are busy these days.

The state concrete bridge on the "Old Trails Highway", four miles east of Holbrook, is now completed and all travel is routed that way; the temporary road across the Rio Puerco is now closed.

The Petrified Forest road is at present in better condition to travel than any other in the county, not excepting the new state work east of Winslow which is peculiarly bad just now on account of loose gravel. This will be remedied in time, but could be much improved by a heavy roller, such as the county has recently purchased. Eventually, what now seems to be the very worst stretch of road, will be the finest in Northern Arizona.

Contract road-work is being executed in all parts of the county, and other contracts are in course of preparation.

The repair and the equipment for the Taylor bridge has finally arrived and an early completion of that bridge is promised.

The remaining work for the completion of the pier of the Shumway bridge will soon be finished and the steel placed in position. High water continues.

The road bond petition has been favorably indorsed by the Commercial Club of Winslow.

CHARLES E. PERKINS,
County Engineer.

Flagstaff Will Celebrate

The following communication to The News, under date of Flagstaff, Mar. 29, is self-explanatory:

Flagstaff will celebrate. Flagstaff Lodge No. 499, B. P. O. Elks, will handle the Fourth of July celebration in Flagstaff this year.

Arrangements are not all complete or the program made up, but from the plan on paper it looks as though Flagstaff will have one of the best celebrations in its history.

The cardinal principle of Elkdom is patriotism and it is especially fitting that they should have charge of the celebration of our Nation's Birthday. All proceeds will go toward building an Elk's Home in Flagstaff.

Very truly yours,

R. A. MORSE

L. RILEY

Committee.

Sample Copies

A number of sample copies of The News are mailed each week to people who are not subscribers. Those who receive a copy may consider it an invitation to subscribe.

The News is the only paper in the county that publishes the proceedings of the board of supervisors, and every taxpayer in the county should read it so that he may know what is being done by the board.

Rumored Sale of Bank

For several days a rumor has been current in Holbrook that the controlling interest in the Navajo-Apache Bank and Trust Company, which

maintains branches in Holbrook, Winslow and St. Johns, has been sold to T. M. Quebedeaux, president of the McKinley County Bank of Gallup, N. M. Mr. Quebedeaux has for years been identified with some of the largest financial interests in New Mexico and Western Texas, and is probably seeking to enter the field in Arizona.

The News is unable to verify the truth of the rumored sale as L. C. Henning, cashier of the Holbrook branch, declined this morning to give out any information about the matter.

Favors Arbor Day Observance

Below is a copy of a letter sent this week to the school teachers throughout the county by Prof. Joseph Peterson, county superintendent of schools:

"I heartily recommend to teachers and pupils of the Public Schools that Arbor Day and 'Clean-up Week' be appropriately observed by exercises in beautifying school grounds, and by assisting in any public measures being taken by town authorities for a general clean-up of streets and yards.

Very truly yours,

JOSEPH PETERSON."

Primary Election in Winslow

A primary election was held in Winslow last Tuesday for the purpose of nominating candidates for the various city offices. Considerable interest was manifested and a good size vote was polled.

The principal contests were for the offices of marshal, clerk and superintendent of streets. The vote for these was as follows:

Marshal: F. M. Dunham, 323; C. W. Harp, 217; C. E. Green, 72; B. F. Ketchum, 67.
Clerk: W. J. Crozer, 277; Ada Ehlen, 179; A. S. Brayman, 123; A. O. LaPrade, 35.
Supervisor of streets: N. S. Baily, 265; D. E. Hanks, 211; S. P. Allen, 127.

Notice to Lovers of Music

We beg to announce that we have secured the agency of the Baldwin Piano Company and shall carry a stock of Pianos and Players.

Call and investigate.

Wetzler Supply Co.

A Communication

To the Ladies of Holbrook:
St. Joseph's Sanitarium, Albuquerque, N. M., March 29:
Dear Friends:—I wish to thank you all who so kindly contributed towards sending beautiful flowers to me while here at the hospital. I wish to say to you that I am slowly recovering from my long and serious illness, and hope to be with you again in my usual health in the near future.

Very truly yours,

Mrs. W. H. Clark.

Opening Day of the San Diego Exposition

The attendance on the 18th was officially given as in excess of 45,000.

At 10 A. M. the Military Parade started from the foot of Broadway. The troops were received in Plaza de Panama.

President Davidson made the opening address, introducing Chairman of the Day, First Vice President, Senator Robert N. Bulla of Los Angeles. Short talks were given by

Mayor Edwin M. Capps, of San Diego, R. W. Pridham, Chairman Los Angeles County Supervisors, John S. Mitchell, President Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce, Edw. Rainey, representing Mayor Rolph of San Francisco, C. H. Heilbron, Vice President of the Exposition, Mayor C. E. Sebastian of Los Angeles, J. F. A. Strong, Governor of Alaska, Hiram Johnson, Governor of California, and Franklin K. Lane, Secretary of the Interior.

At 12 noon, President Wilson pressed a key in the White House at Washington which rang a great gong, signifying the opening of the second year of San Diego's Exposition. At this moment, salutes were fired from battleships in the harbor and U. S. Marines on the grounds.

Flags of 18 nations were unfurled and the Stars and Stripes were raised on the Plaza flagpole by Miss San Diego. Tomaso's Royal Italian Band played the "Star Spangled Banner."

Indian Gets Lands That Should Go To State

Arizona's representatives in Congress are being asked to bring about legislation which would permit Arizona through the state land department to file on land in the forest reserve and also to secure water power sites on the Colorado river in the Grand Canyon region. By reason of the recently created Papago reservation Arizona will be compelled to select 220,000 acres of land somewhere else in the state. Unless some of this land can be selected within a forest reserve, it will be very difficult for the state to find suitable land to take the place of that recently lost. It is pointed out that in case the state should be able to select water power sites in the canyon that it could construct and operate power plants under the industrial pursuits act which was adopted by the people in 1914.—Flagstaff Sun.

Loss by Forest Fires

(From the Forest Service, U. S. Dept. of Agriculture, Washington Office.)

Washington, March 27: Forest fires burned over not quite 300,000 acres of National Forest land in 1915, according to official reports just compiled, or at the rate of less than two acres per thousand acres of Forest. Out of a total of 6,300 fires, 5 per cent did damage to the amount of \$100 or more.

The timber loss was 156,000,000 board feet, valued at \$2,000,000. Although the season regarded as one of unusual pressure, owing to delayed rains, the loss was materially below the average of the last five years. Over 87 per cent of the loss occurred in the States of Oregon, Washington, and Idaho while more than 72 per cent was in Oregon alone. Besides timber loss, fires destroyed production, or young tree growth of an estimated value of \$160,000 and \$3000 worth of forage. The loss per fire in 1915 was \$60.4 which is less than the average. The cost of fighting each fire was also less than the average.

Lightning figures as the cause of forest fires in 1915. It does in the average twenty-eight per cent of fires were due to this cause. Campers caused 18 per cent which is 2 per cent higher than the average. Eleven per cent were caused by brush burning. Nearly 11 per cent were of incendiary origin. Railroads were responsible for nearly 9 per cent of the fires in 1915, as against 14 per cent due to this cause in the average year. The causes of over 15 per cent were unknown. Lumbering operations caused less than 3 per cent.

In the National Forests of Arizona and New Mexico, 417 fires occurred, of which 89 per cent were extinguished before they had burned over ten acres.

W. R. Black has purchased the adobe residence of John Miller, north of the court house, and will move his family thereto in a few days.

The dance in the U. S. theater building, given Wednesday night by the Holbrook baseball club, was well patronized and was a very enjoyable event.

Manager Baird of the electric light company stated to The News a few days ago that he will start an all-night service in a few days. Just as soon as the business will justify a 24-hour service will be inaugurated.

Geo. W. Hennessey, county supervisor, returned Wednesday evening from a brief visit with his family, who have been spending the winter in Long Beach, Cal. Mrs. Hennessey's health has steadily improved since she went to California.

Mr. Paul Meyerhoff, manager of the A. & B. Schuster Co., arrived in Holbrook yesterday morning with his bride, formerly Miss Gertrude Levy, of San Francisco. They were driven by automobile to the home which had been furnished by the groom before leaving here for his wedding.

James Donohoe will return in about a week from Los Angeles, where he has been taking treatment in the Pasteur institute. He has now been taking the treatment for two weeks, and all danger from poison by dog-bite has passed, but the course of the treatment is for 21 days and Mr. Donohoe will finish it.

Good apples are still selling at \$2.00 per box at Wetzler's.

Governor Hunt has formally announced his candidacy for reelection to the office of chief executive of the state of Arizona. This announcement is made in a four-page folder received by The News this morning, in which are recited numerous reasons why the governor

L. D. Kunkel, a recent arrival in Holbrook from Cripple Creek, Colo., has rented the building formerly occupied by the Dunn lumber office, and will open a photograph studio in a few days. Mr. Kunkel is an experienced photographer and will no doubt do a good business here. He is also a baseball player and will prove a valuable addition to the Holbrook Club, of which he has already become a member.

Judge Sidney Sapp returned last Sunday morning from Flagstaff where he had been called a few days before to act as special judge in a case in which Judge Perkins of that county was disqualified. The case was tried before a jury and the defendant, charged with bringing intoxicating liquor into the state, was acquitted.

Mrs. L. A. Scott returned Wednesday morning from Denver where she had spent a month in the wholesale millinery houses. She secured a large and select assortment of millinery and notions for the spring and summer trade.

H. J. Ramer, the well known cattleman from the Heber country, spent several days in Holbrook this week greeting old friends. Mr. Ramer stated that range conditions in his section are fine and he anticipates a splendid year for stockmen.

A. Warren, the merchant tailor, has just received his lines of spring and summer suitings. They contain some very attractive patterns and he will be glad if the public will call and inspect them. The ladies are especially invited to call, as his samples of of ladies suits are the best he has ever shown.

Holbrook has been crowded with freight teams this week and large quantities of goods have been sent into the country districts by the local merchants.

R. D. Greer returned Monday from a week's business trip to Phoenix and Mesa. While in that country Mr. Greer purchased a number of fine milch cows, which he brought home with him.

Everybody is cleaning up; Why not you? See Wetzler's for garden tools seeds, wheelbarrows, etc.

A party composed of Mrs. Garrison, Mrs. Braam, Mr. Lemon and Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Kelly made an automobile trip last Sunday afternoon to the petrified forest.

Complete bathroom and toilet outfits carried in stock now at Wetzler's.

N. Dunning, the contractor, has his family in Kingman a few days last week.

Wesley Fischer, of the Fischer Machinery Co., has moved his family from Fort Apache to Holbrook and they now occupy rooms in the rear of the Old rails Tire Repair Shop.

J. W. Richards and family visited relatives and friends in St. Joseph last Sunday afternoon, taking the trip in their automobile.

How about electric fixtures for your home? Call on W. H. Clark; he has catalogs from which you can select, and will make delivered prices, cash with order.

Burr W. Porter of Navajo transacted business in Holbrook Tuesday.

No reason why you should not have a Piano in your home. See Wetzler's.

Loy Turbeville of Pinto was a business visitor to Holbrook last Saturday.

W. B. Woods transacted business in Winslow Tuesday. Attorney Thorwald Larson has been in Phoenix since last Saturday attending to legal business.

Wetzler's carry a full line of galvanized steel tanks.

Abe Amos and Abe Johnson, Lakeside, were business visitors to Holbrook Wednesday.

Clarence R. Morrow of Navajo was in Holbrook Wednesday attending to business matters.

Rev. J. M. White of Winslow preached in the Holbrook M. E. church last Sunday morning.

J. Frank Matthews, assistant cashier of the Merchant & Stock-growers bank, is confined to his home by an attack of measles.

Rev. W. R. Cole of Winslow conducted the regular weekly services in the M. E. church in Holbrook last Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Perkins were in Winslow Tuesday morning to meet Captain and Mrs. Henry Warren, who arrived that morning from El Paso, where they spent the winter.

N. A. Brimhall of Taylor, a home missionary, preached in the L. D. S. church last Sunday afternoon. Services will be held again in this church next Sunday afternoon. Sunday school every Sunday morning.

Last Sunday J. M. Lee, station agent for the Santa Fe in Holbrook, received a message apprising him of the death of his mother in Toledo, O. He left that night for Toledo, accompanied by his wife.

Prime T. Coleman left here Monday evening for Nogales, where he will arrange some cattle he has been raising in Mexico. The cattle will be placed upon Mr. Coleman's range in this county.

Last Monday Mrs. Louise Cross, who has been visiting the home of her son, W. B. Cross, for several weeks, accompanied Sheriff R. L. Newman to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Snowflake, where she will spend the summer.

Dr. J. W. Bazell was called to Lakeside Tuesday to attend the 9-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Reidhead, who was suffering from Ptomaine poisoning. The child was recovering nicely when the doctor left.

Mrs. Smith, a sister of Sheriff R. L. Newman, and Miss Larson, of Snowflake, are guests at the Newman home, having returned with Mr. Newman Monday when he visited that town.

State Auditor Callaghan has announced that he will not be a candidate for reelection to his present office; and that he will seek no other political office. He expects to return to his home in Cochise county and resume the mercantile business.

Before leaving Holbrook a few days ago for an automobile trip to St. Louis, Dr. Switzer, the dentist, completed arrangements for locating a permanent office here upon his return, which will be about the first of May.

Last Friday afternoon Mrs. C. H. Jordan entertained the members of the Embroidery Club and a few other friends at her home in Holbrook. An elaborate luncheon was served, the hostess being assisted in entertaining her guests by Misses Jo McClanahan and Ruth Wallace.

The Holbrook Drug Company have had their business room handsomely decorated this week, the color used being mahogany. To correspond with the new soda fountain installed a short time ago. New decorations finished in the same style will be added as soon as they are received, and when all is finished the store will present a beautiful appearance.

L. D. Divelbess was re-elected to the board of school trustees at the election held in the Holbrook district last Saturday. Seventy-one votes were cast and of this number Mr. Divelbess received 53, the others being scattered. That there was no opposition to Mr. Divelbess' election is evidence that he has made a good official, and his return is a matter for congratulation among the patrons of the school.